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To: Federal Communications Commission

From: WT Services, Inc.

Re: Forbearance Notification

WC Docket No. 11-42 – Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization

WT Services, Inc., Study Area Code 449001, hereby notifies the FCC that it is availing itself of the forbearance granted by the *Lifeline Modernization Order*¹ from the obligation to offer Lifeline-supported broadband Internet access service. WT Services elects this forbearance relief for the entirety of its service area where it is designated as a competitive eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC). What follows is the information the Wireline Competition Bureau has requested in these notifications.²

1. *Carrier Name*: WT Services, Inc.

2. *ETC Designation Information*

a. *ETC Designation Orders*: Public Utility Commission of Texas

1. Docket No. 19904, December 14, 1998 for Friona exchange
2. Docket No. 23280, January 1, 2001 for Bovina exchange
3. Docket No. 33126, October 9, 2006 for Hereford exchange

b. *Designating Authority*: Public Utility Commission of Texas

c. *Type of Designation*: High-cost support recipient (*i.e.*, not Lifeline-only)

d. *Dates of ETC Designation*: December 14, 1998; January 1, 2001; October 9, 2006.

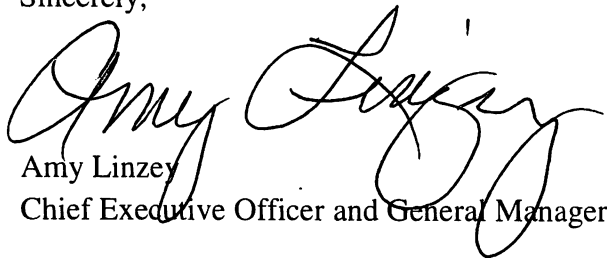
¹ *Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization et al.*, WC Docket No. 11-42 et al., Third Report and Order, Further Report and Order, and Order on Reconsideration, 31 FCC Rcd 3962 (2016).

² *Wireline Competition Bureau Provides Guidance Regarding Filing Procedures for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Seeking to Invoke Forbearance Granted by Lifeline Modernization Order*, Public Notice, WC Docket No. 11-42, DA 16-1316 (rel. Nov. 22, 2016).

3. *Areas Where ETC Seeks Forbearance:* The Excel file that accompanies this notification contains a list of the census blocks, in numerical order by FIPS code, where WT Services is availing itself of forbearance relief. These census blocks collectively make up the entirety of WT Services' ETC-designated service area.
4. *Information on Areas Where Carrier Elects to Offer Broadband:* Notwithstanding the forbearance relief WT Services is availing itself of throughout its ETC-designated area, the company presently intends to offer Lifeline-supported stand-alone broadband service within most of its Hereford exchange. In addition, the company currently intends to offer Lifeline-supported bundled voice and broadband service in the Friona and Bovina exchanges, but not Lifeline-supported stand-alone broadband.

Please feel free to contact me at 806-364-7311 or amylinzey@wtrt.net if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,



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